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In re Appln. of: Yasuyuki Kawashima et al.

Appln. No.: 10/692,554

Filed: October 24, 2003

For: Sample Analyzers, Bacteria Analyzers, and Solutions for Diluting and Cleaning

Attorney Docket No: 11333/29

Examiner: To Be Assigned

Art Unit: 1641

Mail Stop Amendment
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Attached is/are:

- ☒ Transmittal Letter (in duplicate), First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (in duplicate), Form PTO-1449, Seven (7) Cited References (B1-B7), and Copy of European Search Report.
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☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

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FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents B1-B7 listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R.

§ 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. A copy of the European Search Report is also enclosed.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g),(h), this First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

This First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the receipt of the first Official Action reflecting an examination on the merits and hence is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). No fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. However, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to this communication, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct the fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

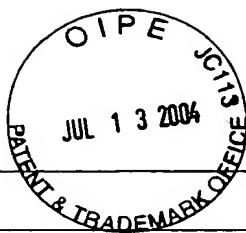
Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,



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REFERENCE DESIGNATION U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	B1	JP 2000-321270	11/24/2000	Japan	Abstract Only
	B2	EP 1 136 563 A2	09/26/2001	EPO	No
	B3	EP 0 919 609 A1	06/02/1999	EPO	No
	B4	EP 1 087 231 A2	03/28/2001	EPO	No
	B5	EP 1 004 880 A2	05/31/2000	EPO	No
	B6	DE 43 14 180 A1	11/04/1993	Germany	Abstract Only

OTHER ART – NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	<small>(Include name of author, title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.</small>				
	B7	"User Guide for ZipTip ^{MC} : Pipette Tips for Phosphopeptide Enrichment"; Retrieved from Internet Website: www.millipore.com on 04/01/2004; two pages.			

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